

## On the Ensemble Average in the Study of Approximate Inertial Manifolds, II

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In this note we obtained a new time averaged estimate of the distance between the orbit generated by solutions of 2-D Navier–Stokes equations and one of its approximate inertial manifolds in the space periodic case, using the Gevrey class regularity of the solutions in the space periodic case. This estimate is a substantial improvement of the author's previous one in the “very” high wave modes, or, physically, far in the dissipation range of turbulence. © 1992 Academic Press, Inc.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

For constructive approximation of the long time behavior of the solutions of the Navier–Stokes equations, Foias–Manely–Temam [4] introduced the notion of approximate inertial manifolds for the equation. Since then, its consequence on developing the new numerical methods [6], its connection to the classical physical theories of turbulence [3] as well as further theoretical investigation of the notion itself [7] have been studied. In particular, its relevance for the quasistatic behavior of the solutions was studied via time averaging in [3]. However, one fundamental problem, especially for physical applications, is to justify that the notion of approximate inertial manifold is really good approximation in physically relevant wave modes, i.e., wave numbers corresponding to the inertial range of turbulence. More specifically, the problem is to obtain a good estimate for the distance between an approximate inertial manifold and the orbit generated by the solutions of the equations. Even the combination of both analysis and heuristics made in [3] for the quasistatic study of 2-D Navier–Stokes equation lead only to the conclusion that the time-averaged distance estimate is “good” far in the dissipation range. In the author's previous paper [1] we obtained similar estimates, but without any heuristics.

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In the present note we obtained a new estimate for the time-averaged distance, which improves the author's previous one substantially in the very far in the dissipation range. The crucial fact we used in the proof is the Gevrey class regularity for the solutions of the Navier–Stokes equations in the space-periodic domain. Unfortunately we did not yet succeed in extrapolating our estimates to the inertial range, the problem which should be further studied. In the next section after brief review of the notations we state our main propositions; these will be proved in the last section.

## 2. NOTATIONS AND THE MAIN RESULTS

We consider the incompressible viscous fluid flow with viscosity  $\nu > 0$  stirred by external force  $f$ , contained in a domain  $\Omega = (0, 2\pi)^2$ . As is well known (see, e.g., [2] or [9]) the Navier–Stokes equation describing the velocity field in this case can be written as an abstract evolution equation for  $u$ ,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nu Au + B(u) = f \quad (1)$$

in a Hilbert space  $H$  which consists of solenoidal vector fields in  $L^2(\Omega)^2$  (with scalar product and norm denoted by  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ ,  $|\cdot|$ ). The Stokes operator,  $A$ , is a linear self adjoint unbounded positive operator with domain  $D(A) \subset H$ . Next,  $B(u) = B(u, u)$ , where

$$(B(u, v), w) = \sum_{j,k=1}^2 \int_{\Omega} u_j \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j} w_k \, dx.$$

We assume the space periodicity (with period  $(0, 2\pi)^2$ ) for  $u$  and  $f$ , and moreover, for simplicity, we assume  $\int_{\Omega} u(x, t) \, dx = 0$ ,  $\forall t$ . In this case we have the Fourier series expansion for each  $u \in H$

$$u = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^2} u_j e^{ij \cdot x}, \quad u_j \in \mathbb{C}^2, \quad u_{-j} = \bar{u}_j, \quad u_0 = 0 \quad (2)$$

with

$$j \cdot u_j = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^2} |u_j|^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} |u|^2 < \infty. \quad (4)$$

For each  $\alpha > 0$  the domain of  $A^\alpha$ ,  $D(A^\alpha)$  is the set of functions satisfying (2)-(4) such that

$$(2\pi)^2 \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^2} |j|^{4\alpha} |u_j|^2 = |A^\alpha u|^2 < \infty.$$

For the scalar product and the norm in  $D(A^{1/2})$  we will use  $((\cdot, \cdot)), \|\cdot\|$  for notation. For  $\tau, s > 0$  given we also consider the Gevrey class  $D(e^{\tau A^s})$  that is a set of functions  $u$  satisfying (2)–(4) and

$$(2\pi)^2 \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^2} e^{2\tau|j|^{2s}} |u_j|^2 = |e^{\tau A^s} u|^2 < \infty.$$

In particular, for the scalar product and the norm in  $D(e^{\tau A^{1/2}})$  we use  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\tau, \|\cdot\|_\tau$ , while for  $D(e^{\tau A^{1/2}})$  we use  $((\cdot, \cdot))_\tau, \|\cdot\|_\tau$ . As before [1, 3] we decompose  $u$  into two parts

$$u = y_m + z_m,$$

where

$$y_m = P_m u = \sum_{|j| \leq m} u_j(t) e^{ij \cdot x} \quad \text{and} \quad z_m = Q_m u = \sum_{|j| > m} u_j(t) e^{ij \cdot x}$$

characterizing the large and small scale structures of the flow, respectively. In the above,  $m$  is any positive integer, and will be dropped in the subscript hereafter. Also, in the following we assume the stirring force  $f$  has only large scale component, i.e.,  $P_m f = f$ ; we note that, in particular, this implies  $f \in D(e^{\sigma A^{1/2}})$  for any  $\sigma > 0$ . By operating projectors  $P$  and  $Q$  on (1) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + \nu A y + P B(y + z, y + z) = f \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} + \nu A z + Q B(y + z, y + z) = 0. \quad (6)$$

By  $\{\lambda_j\}$  we denote the eigenvalues of  $A$  with

$$\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_j \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } j \rightarrow \infty.$$

The important parameters that will be used in the following are

$$\delta = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_{m+1}}, \quad L = \left(1 + \log \frac{\lambda_{m+1}}{\lambda_1}\right).$$

Two dimensionless numbers representing the degree of turbulence are the Grashof number  $G$  and the Reynolds number  $R$ , defined respectively by

$$G = \frac{|f|}{\nu^2 \lambda_1}, \quad R = \frac{(|u|^2)^{1/2}}{\nu},$$

where the overbar denotes the long time average. In particular, in this note we use the long time average, defined by

$$\overline{(\cdot)} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (\cdot) dt.$$

We remark in passing that we do not know yet if we can replace the  $\overline{\lim}$  by  $\lim$  in the above definition, thus using the usual sense of long time average in our results; the problem is that we do not yet know if the limit exists or not for our integrands. However, we could replace the  $\lim$  by LIM, the generalized (Banach) limit, as was done in [1]. For the initial conditions we assume  $u_0 \in H$  as usual in the 2-D periodic case; this, combined with the assumption on the forcing  $f$ , entitles us to use the results in [5] on the Gevrey class regularity of the solution to (1); these results, including some arguments leading to them, will be briefly reviewed and refined into useful form for us in the proof of Lemma 1 of Section 3. We remark  $G \geq R$ , which is easy to check directly from (1). Finally let us recall that the approximate inertial manifold of our concern is the manifold  $\mathcal{M}_1$ , defined as the graph in  $H$  generated by the function

$$z = \Phi_1(y) \equiv -(vA)^{-1} QB(y, y).$$

(Recall we have assumed  $Qf=0$ .) Our first main result is the following:

**THEOREM 1.** *There are constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  without dimension satisfying the following inequality*

$$\frac{\overline{\text{dist}(u, \mathcal{M}_1)^2}}{|u|^2} \leq C_1 R^{-2} G^7 \log G \exp\left(-\frac{C_2}{G^2 \log G \delta^{1/2}}\right) \delta^3 L. \quad (7)$$

We recall our previous estimate

$$\frac{\overline{\text{dist}(u, \mathcal{M}_1)^2}}{|u|^2} \leq C'_1 R^{-1} G^4 \delta^3 L. \quad (8)$$

Using  $R \leq G$ , by simple calculation it is easy to verify that if

$$\delta^{1/2} G^2 \ll 1 \quad (9)$$

then (7) is an improved estimate of (8); on the other hand, this condition implies that we are in the very small scales of flow (very far in the dissipation range). As we shall see in the next section, Theorem 1 is a corollary the following lemma and the two propositions below.

LEMMA 1. *There exists a nondimensional constant  $C_3$  satisfying the estimate*

$$\overline{|Au|_\sigma^2} \leq C_3 v^2 \lambda_1^2 G^4 \log G, \quad (10)$$

where  $\sigma$  is a constant defined in the proof.

For comparison we recall the inequality in [1]

$$\overline{|Au|}^2 \leq v^2 \lambda_1^2 G^2. \quad (11)$$

As we will see in the proof the increased power of  $G$  in (10) compared to (11) results from the loss of orthogonality between  $Au$  and  $B(u)$  in the scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\sigma$ .

PROPOSITION 1. *There are nondimensional constants  $C_4$ – $C_6$  of order unity satisfying the estimate*

$$\overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2 \leq \begin{cases} C_4 G^2 \delta L \overline{|Au|}_\sigma^2 & \text{in general} \\ C_6 G^2 \delta L \overline{|Ay|}_\sigma^2 & \text{if } G^2 \delta L \leq C_5. \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

Since we have

$$\frac{\overline{|Az|}^2}{\overline{|Ay|}^2} \leq \frac{\overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2}{\overline{|Ay|}_\sigma^2}$$

we see that the second inequality in (12) is a sharper version of our previous one in [1],

$$\overline{|Az|}^2 \leq C_4' G^2 \delta L \overline{|Ay|}^2. \quad (13)$$

We note, however, that (13) holds without any assumption on the size of  $G^2 \delta L$ .

PROPOSITION 2. *There exist dimensionless constants  $C_7$ – $C_9$  such that the following estimates are valid.*

$$|v \overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2 + \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))}_\sigma| \leq C_7 v G (\delta L)^{1/2} \overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2 \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & | \overline{|QB(y, y)|}_\sigma^2 + v \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))}_\sigma | \\ & \leq \begin{cases} C_8 v^2 G^2 (\delta L)^{1/2} (\overline{|Au|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} (\overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} & \text{in general} \\ C_9 v^2 G^2 (\delta L)^{1/2} (\overline{|Ay|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} (\overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} & \text{if } G^2 \delta L \leq C_5, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where  $C_5$  is the same constant as in (12).

We observe that the two estimates in the above proposition have similar form to our previous ones in [1] except that the norm and the scalar product have been replaced from  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ ,  $|\cdot|$  to  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\sigma$ ,  $|\cdot|_\sigma$ .

### 3. PROOF OF THE MAIN RESULTS

*Proof of Lemma 1.* We first refine the results in [5] in a form useful for our purpose; especially, we make every estimate independent of physical dimensions.

Let us put  $\phi = \phi(t) = v\lambda_1^{1/2} \min\{t, \sigma_1\}$  for some constant  $\sigma_1$ . Taking the scalar product of (1) with  $Au$  in  $D(e^{\phi A^{1/2}})$  we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u\|_\phi^2 + v |Au|_\phi^2 \leq |(B(u, u), Au)_\phi| + v\lambda_1^{1/2} |(Au, A^{1/2}u)_\phi| + |(f, Au)_\phi|. \quad (16)$$

From [5, (2.26)],

$$|(B(u, u), Au)_\phi| \leq c_1 \|u\|_\phi^2 \|Au\|_\phi \left(1 + \log \frac{|Au|_\phi^2}{\lambda_1 \|u\|_\phi^2}\right)^{1/2}.$$

On the other hand, we have (see [4, (A.7)–(A.8)])

$$2c_1 \|u\|_\phi^2 |Au|_\phi \left(1 + \log \frac{|Au|_\phi^2}{\lambda_1 \|u\|_\phi^2}\right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{v}{2} |Au|_\phi^2 + \frac{c_1^2}{2v} \|u\|_\phi^4 \log \frac{4c_1^2 \|u\|_\phi^2}{\lambda_1 v^2}. \quad (17)$$

And, from the Young's inequality we have

$$v\lambda_1^{1/2} |(Au, A^{1/2}u)_\phi| \leq \frac{v}{4} |Au|_\phi^2 + v\lambda_1 \|u\|_\phi^2 \quad (18)$$

and

$$|(f, Au)_\phi| \leq \frac{v}{4} |Au|_\phi^2 + \frac{1}{v} |f|_\phi^2. \quad (19)$$

Therefore, we obtain from (16)–(19)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|u\|_\phi^2 + \frac{v}{2} |Au|_\phi^2 \leq 2v\lambda_1 \|u\|_\phi^2 + \frac{1}{v} |f|_\phi^2 + \frac{c_1^2}{2v} \|u\|_\phi^4 \log \frac{4c_1^2 \|u\|_\phi^2}{\lambda_1 v^2}. \quad (20)$$

Now, put

$$y = \frac{2 + 4c_1^2}{\lambda_1 v^2} (|f|_\phi^2 + \|u\|_\phi^2)$$

then, (20) implies

$$y' \leq v\lambda_1 c_2 y^2 \log y,$$

where  $c_2$  is an appropriate nondimensional constant. Thus, as long as  $y(t) \leq 2y_0 = 2y(0)$ , we have

$$y' \leq c_2 v\lambda_1 y^2 \log 2y_0.$$

Solving this differential inequality we obtain

$$y \leq \frac{y_0}{1 - c_2 \lambda_1 v t \log 2y_0}$$

and this is indeed  $\leq 2y_0$  as long as

$$0 \leq t \leq T_*(\|u_0\|),$$

where we put

$$T_*(\|u_0\|) = \frac{c_3 v}{(|f| + \|u_0\|^2) \log(c_4/\lambda_1 v^2)(|f| + \|u_0\|^2)}$$

for suitable nondimensional constants  $c_3, c_4$ . Thus

$$|A^{1/2} e^{\phi(t)A^{1/2}} u(t)|^2 \leq 2(|f| + \|u_0\|^2)$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq T_*(\|u_0\|)$ . Actually we can further argue that  $t \mapsto u(t)$  is analytic from  $[0, \infty)$  into  $D(A^{1/2} e^{\sigma A^{1/2}})$  for some  $\sigma$  as was done in [5]; we do not repeat that here. Now shifting the origin of time to  $t_0 > 0$  and repeating the above argument, we obtain

$$|A^{1/2} e^{\phi(t)A^{1/2}} u(t+t_0)|^2 \leq 2(|f| + \|u(t_0)\|^2) \quad (21)$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq T_*(\|u(t_0)\|)$ , where

$$T_*(\|u(t_0)\|) = \frac{c_3 v}{(|f| + \|u(t_0)\|^2) \log(c_4/\lambda_1 v^2)(|f| + \|u(t_0)\|^2)}. \quad (22)$$

Let  $t_0 \geq t_*$  = entering time into the absorbing set [8]

$$\left\{ \|u\|^2 \leq \frac{2|f|^2}{v^2 \lambda_1} = 2G^2 v^2 \lambda_1 \right\}.$$

Then, elementary computation after substituting  $|f| = Gv^2\lambda_1$ ,  $\|u(t_0)\|^2 \leq 2G^2v^2\lambda_1$  into (22) leads to

$$T_*(\|u(t_0)\|) \geq \frac{c_5}{v\lambda_1 G^2 \log G}$$

for  $t_0 \geq t_*$ , where  $c_5$  is a nondimensional constant. We now set

$$T_1 = \frac{c_5}{v\lambda_1 G^2 \log G}. \quad (23)$$

Then, for  $t_0 \geq t_*$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T_1$  we have from (21),

$$\begin{aligned} |A^{1/2} e^{\phi(t)A^{1/2}} u(t+t_0)|^2 &\leq 2(|f| + 2G^2v^2\lambda_1) \\ &\leq 2(Gv^2\lambda_1 + 2G^2v^2\lambda_1) \leq 6G^2v^2\lambda_1. \end{aligned}$$

Especially,

$$|A^{1/2} e^{\phi(T_1)A^{1/2}} u(T_1+t_0)|^2 \leq 6G^2v^2\lambda_1.$$

Thus, if we put  $T_2 = t_* + T_1$ ,  $\sigma = \phi(T_1)$ , then

$$\sup_{T_2 \leq t < \infty} \|u\|_\sigma^2 \leq 6G^2v^2\lambda_1. \quad (24)$$

Now, by the similar procedure leading to (20) we obtain from (1)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|u\|_\sigma^2 + v |Au|_\sigma^2 \leq \frac{1}{v} |f|_\sigma^2 + \frac{c_1}{v} \|u\|_\sigma^4 \log \frac{4c_1^2 \|u\|_\sigma^2}{\lambda_1 v^2}. \quad (25)$$

Taking the long time average of (25), then the term involving the time derivative vanishes, and noting

$$\bar{a} = \overline{\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{T_2}^T a \, dt} \quad \text{for } a \in L^1(0, T_2) \quad (26)$$

we obtain from (24)

$$\begin{aligned} v \overline{|Au|}_\sigma^2 &\leq \frac{1}{v} |f|_\sigma^2 + \sup_{t \geq T_2} \frac{c_1^2}{v} \|u\|_\sigma^4 \log \frac{4c_1^2 \|u\|_\sigma^2}{\lambda_1 v^2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{v} e^{2\sigma\lambda_1^2} |f|_\sigma^2 + c_6 v^3 \lambda_1^2 G^4 \log G \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$



for an appropriate nondimensional constant  $c_6$ . For the forcing term we have, for  $G \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2\sigma\lambda_1^{-1/2}} |f|^2 &= e^{2\lambda_1 v \min\{\sigma_1, T_1\}} |f|^2 \leq e^{2\lambda_1 v T_1} |f|^2 \\ &= e^{2c_5 G^2 \log G} G^2 v 4\lambda_1^2 \leq c_7 G^2 v^4 \lambda_1^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_7$  is another dimensionless constant. This, combined with (27) leads to (10), thus completing the proof of Lemma 1.

Before proving Propositions 2, 3 we recall some useful facts. First, as an immediate corollary of Lemma 1 (especially its proof) and its following remark in [5] we observe that the estimates of  $|B(u, v)|_\sigma$  are in the exactly same forms as  $|B(u, v)|$  with the norms  $|\cdot|, \|\cdot\|$  replaced by  $|\cdot|_\sigma, \|\cdot\|_\sigma$ , respectively. For example, as an analogue of [1, (15)–(18)] we have

$$|B(u, v)|_\sigma \leq \begin{cases} c_8 |u|_\sigma^{1/2} |Au|_\sigma^{1/2} \|v\|_\sigma \\ c_1 \|u\|_\sigma \|v\|_\sigma (1 + \log(|Au|_\sigma^2/\lambda_1 \|u\|_\sigma^2))^{1/2} \\ c_1 |u|_\sigma |Av|_\sigma (1 + \log(|Av|_\sigma^2/\lambda_1 \|v\|_\sigma^2))^{1/2}. \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

We also recall that as a consequence of [1, (13)–(14)]

$$|Ay|_\sigma \leq \lambda_{m+1}^{1/2} \|y\|_\sigma \leq \lambda_{m+1} |y|_\sigma, \quad \forall y \in PH \quad (29)$$

$$|z|_\sigma \leq \lambda_{m+1}^{-1/2} \|z\|_\sigma \leq \lambda_{m+1}^{-1} |Az|_\sigma \quad \forall z \in QH. \quad (30)$$

Combining (28)–(30) we have an analogue of [1, Lemma 1]:

**LEMMA 2.** *The following estimates are valid for any  $y \in PH$  and  $z \in QH$ :*

$$|B(y, y)|_\sigma \leq c_1 L^{1/2} \|y\|_\sigma^2 \quad (31)$$

$$|B(y, z)|_\sigma \leq \begin{cases} c_8 \lambda_1^{-1} \delta^{1/2} |Ay|_\sigma |Az|_\sigma \\ c_1 \lambda_1^{-1/2} (\delta L)^{1/2} \|y\|_\sigma |Az|_\sigma \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

$$|B(z, y)|_\sigma \leq c_8 \lambda_1^{-1/2} \delta^{1/2} \|y\|_\sigma |Az|_\sigma \quad (33)$$

$$|B(z, z)|_\sigma \leq c_8 \lambda_2^{-1/2} \delta^{1/2} \|u\|_\sigma |Az|_\sigma. \quad (34)$$

Finally we recall an algebraic identity in [1],

$$AB(u, u) = B(u, Au) - B(Au, u). \quad (35)$$

We are now ready to prove Proposition 2.

*Proof of Proposition 1.* Taking scalar product of (6) with  $Az$  in  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\sigma$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|z\|_\sigma^2 + \nu |Az|_\sigma^2 &= (Az, QB(y, y))_\sigma + (Az, QB(y, z))_\sigma \\ &\quad + (Az, QB(z, y))_\sigma + (Az, QB(z, z))_\sigma. \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

We now estimate pointwise in time for  $t \geq T_2$  each term of the right hand side of (36). The common procedure of the estimates is the following; first we use Hoelder estimate for the scalar product, and then use Lemma 4 for the estimate of  $B$ , next, using (29)–(30) to obtain terms involving  $\|y\|_\sigma$ ,  $\|z\|_\sigma$ , and  $|Az|_\sigma$ , finally we use the uniform in time estimate for  $\|y\|_\sigma$ ,  $\|z\|_\sigma$  ( $\leq \|u\|_\sigma$ ) in (24). This leads to

$$\begin{aligned} |(Az, QB(y, y))_\sigma| &\leq |Az|_\sigma |QB(y, y)|_\sigma \\ &\leq \lambda_{m+1}^{-1} |Az|_\sigma |AQB(y, y)|_\sigma \\ &\leq \lambda_{m+1}^{-1} |Az|_\sigma (|B(y, Ay)|_\sigma + |B(Ay, y)|_\sigma) \\ &\leq 2c_1 L^{1/2} \lambda_{m+1}^{-1} |Az|_\sigma \|y\|_\sigma |Ay|_\sigma \\ &\leq 2\sqrt{6} c_1 G \nu (\delta L)^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma |Ay|_\sigma \\ &\leq \frac{\nu}{2} |Az|_\sigma^2 + 12c_1^2 \nu G^2 \delta L |Ay|_\sigma^2, \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

where we used  $AQ = QA$  and (35) in the third step.

$$\begin{aligned} |(Az, QB(y, z))_\sigma| &\leq |Az|_\sigma |B(y, z)|_\sigma \\ &\leq c_1 \lambda_1^{-1/2} (\delta L)^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 \|y\|_\sigma \\ &\leq \sqrt{6} c_1 \nu G (\delta L)^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |(Az, QB(z, y))_\sigma| &\leq |Az|_\sigma |B(z, y)|_\sigma \\ &\leq c_8 \lambda_1^{-1/2} \delta^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 \|y\|_\sigma \\ &\leq \sqrt{6} c_8 \nu G \delta^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |(Az, QB(z, z))_\sigma| &\leq |Az|_\sigma |B(z, z)|_\sigma \\ &\leq c_8 \lambda_1^{-1/2} \delta^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 \|u\|_\sigma \\ &\leq \sqrt{6} c_8 \nu \delta^{1/2} G |Az|_\sigma^2. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Combining (37)–(39) with (36) we obtain the inequality

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|z\|_\sigma^2 + \nu |Az|_\sigma^2 \leq \sqrt{6} (c_1 + 2c_8) \nu G (\delta L)^{1/2} |Az|_\sigma^2 + 12c_1^2 \nu G^2 \delta L |Ay|_\sigma^2. \quad (41)$$

Taking the long time average the time derivative term of (41) vanishes as before, thus

$$v \overline{|Az|_\sigma^2} \leq \sqrt{6}(c_1 + 2c_8) vG(\delta L)^{1/2} \overline{|Az|_\sigma^2} + 12c_1^2 vG^2 \delta L \overline{|Ay|_\sigma^2}. \quad (42)$$

From (42) we have, if  $\sqrt{6}(c_1 + 2c_8) G(\delta L)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$ , then

$$\overline{|Az|_\sigma^2} \leq 24c_1^2 G^2 \delta L \overline{|Ay|_\sigma^2}.$$

Thus, we have the second inequality of (12) for  $C_5 = (1/2 \sqrt{6})(c_1 + 2c_8)^{-1}$ ,  $C_6 = 24c_1$ . Otherwise, from  $|Az|_\sigma, |Ay|_\sigma \leq |Au|_\sigma$ , and adding the two terms in the right hand side of (42) we obtain the first inequality of (12). This completes the proof of Proposition 1.

*Proof of Proposition 2.* (i) Proof of (14): We take scalar product (6) with  $Az$  in  $(\cdot \cdot)_\sigma$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|z\|_\sigma^2 + v |Az|_\sigma^2 + (Az, QB(y, y))_\sigma \\ & + (Az, B(y, z) + B(z, y) + B(z, z))_\sigma = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, after the long time average (the time derivative term vanishes as before) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |v \overline{|Az|_\sigma^2} + \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))_\sigma}| \\ & \leq |\overline{(Az, QB(y, z))_\sigma}| + |\overline{(Az, QB(z, y))_\sigma}| + |\overline{(Az, QB(z, z))_\sigma}| \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

The estimates for the right hand side of (43) before the time average were already done in (38)–(40) in the proof of Proposition 1. Thus, taking time average and adding them together we obtain (14).

(ii) Proof of (15): Taking the scalar product of (6) with  $QB(y, y)$  in  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\sigma$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |QB(y, y)|_\sigma^2 + v(Az, QB(y, y))_\sigma \\ & = -\frac{d}{dt} (z, B(y, y))_\sigma + (z, B(y', y) + B(y, y'))_\sigma \\ & + (QB(y, y), B(y, z) + B(z, y) + B(z, z))_\sigma. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Since

$$|(z, B(y, y))_\sigma| \leq c_1 L^{1/2} |z|_\sigma \|y\|_\sigma^2 \leq c_1 L^{1/2} \lambda_{m+1}^{-1/2} \|u\|_\sigma^3 < \infty$$

for all  $t \geq T_2$  in virtue of (26), we infer

$$\left| \frac{d}{dt} (z, B(y, y))_\sigma \right| = 0.$$

Thus, after substituting

$$y' = -vAy - PB(y + z, y + z) = f$$

into (44), and taking the time average of it we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & | \overline{QB(y, y)}_\sigma^2 + v \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))}_\sigma | \\ & \leq v \overline{|(z, B(Ay, y))_\sigma|} + v \overline{|(z, B(y, Ay))_\sigma|} \\ & \quad + \overline{|(z, B(PB(y + z, y + z), y))_\sigma|} + \overline{|(z, B(y, PB(y + z, y + z)))_\sigma|} \\ & \quad + \overline{|(QB(y, z) + QB(z, y) + QB(z, z), B(y, y))_\sigma|} \\ & \quad + \overline{|(z, B(f, y))_\sigma|} + \overline{|(z, B(y, f))_\sigma|}. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Now the estimate of the right hand side of (45), following the procedure described in the proof of Proposition 1, leading to (15) is essentially repetition of [1, Proof of Theorem 3] with trivial modifications, which we omit here.

*Proof of Theorem 1.* First, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\overline{\text{dist}(u, \mathcal{M}_1)^2}}{|u|^2} & \leq (|u|^2)^{-1} \overline{|z + (vA)^{-1} QB(y, y)|^2} \\ & \leq (|u|^2)^{-1} (v\lambda_{m+1})^{-2} \exp(-\sigma\lambda_{m+1}^{1/2}) \overline{|vAz + QB(y, y)|^2}_\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Next, by sequence of use of Proposition 2, Proposition 1, and Lemma 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{|vAz + QB(y, y)|^2}_\sigma & \leq v^2 \overline{|Az|_\sigma^2} + v \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))}_\sigma \\ & \quad + | \overline{QB(y, y)}_\sigma^2 + v \overline{(Az, QB(y, y))}_\sigma | \\ & \leq (C_4^{1/2} C_8 + C_9) G^2 v^2 (\delta L)^{1/2} (\overline{|Au|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} (\overline{|Az|}_\sigma^2)^{1/2} \\ & \leq C_4^{1/2} (C_4^{1/2} C_8 + C_9) v^2 G^3 \delta L \overline{|Au|}_\sigma^2 \\ & \leq C_3 C_4^{1/2} (C_4^{1/2} + C_9) v^4 \lambda_1^2 G^7 \log G \delta L. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, combining the above two estimates, we obtain

$$\frac{\overline{\text{dist}(u, \mathcal{M}_1)^2}}{|u|^2} \leq cR^{-2} G^7 \log G \exp(-v(\lambda_1 \lambda_{m+1})^{1/2} \min\{T_1, \sigma_1\}) \delta^3 L. \quad (46)$$

Choosing  $\sigma_1 = T_1$  in the above we obtain (7) from (23). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

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